है, को चार्ज करने के लिए स्थानीय उपलब्ध विद्युत की आपूर्ति की व्यवस्था की जाती है।

(ङ) मध्य प्रदेश में स्थित अति अल्प शक्ति ट्रांसमीटर, जशपुरनगर के सामन्य रूप से कार्य करने की रिपोर्ट मिली है, तथापि, उपलब्ध करवायी गयी विद्युत आपूर्ति एक अतिरिक्त व्यवस्था है और कम वोल्टेज तथा बारम्बार व्यवधान के कारण इस पर अत्यधिक निर्भर नहीं रहा जा सकता।

Doordarshan Transmission in Tribal Areas of Gujarat

1466. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many tribal areas in Gujarat are not within the transmission range of Doordarshan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to bring the tribal areas of the State within transmission range of Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) The tribal sub-plan district of Gujarat viz. Banaskantha, Bharuch, Dangs, Panchmahals, Surat, Vadodara, Valaad and Sabarkantha, are at present, covered by 28 transmitters (25 LPTs, 3 VLPTs) viz-a-viz 51 transmitters of varying powers operating in the State. With a view to further improve TV coverage in the Hitherto uncovered tribal sub-plan areas of the State, 2 HPTs and 6 LPTs are presently under imlementation at Surat, Vadodara, Radhanpur, Jhagadia, Vyara, Dharampur, Umargaon and Madassa respectively.

National Policy on Television

1467. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to evolve a National Policy on Television inclduing Cable TV in the context of growing display of crime, violence and obscenity on the small screen, and unchecked advertisements of liquor and tobacco companies and its influence on the children and the youth; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the basic guidelines, if any, evolved and laid down for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) As of now, Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan) previews all its programmes before they are telecast to ensure that they do not contain any excessive violence or vulgarity which may have adverse effect on the viewers. The preview also ensure that programmes are in accordance with the programme Code and Advertisement Code. The Government have introduced an Amendment Bill for restoring the provisions of the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act, 1990, which, inter-alia, envisages establishment of a Broadcasting Council to monitor all programmes telecast on Doordarshan. The Cable Networks are governed by the provisions of the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995 and the Cable Television networks Rules, 1994. Section 5 and 6 of the act require that the programmes/ advertisements carried on channels which can be received only with the help of specialised gadgets/decoders, adhere to the prescribed Programme/Advertisement Codes. So far as Liquor &